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37 CFR 1.133 Statement of the Substance of the Examiner Interview

Participants:

- 1) Examiner Mary J. Steelman
- 2) Christopher N. George, Reg. No. 51,728

Date of Interview:

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Type of Interview:

Telephonic

Claims discussed:

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Prior art discussed:

Zur (U.S. Patent No. 6,178,225), Allison (U.S. Patent 6,094,531),

and Cramer (U.S. Patent No. 5,307,354)

No agreement was reached regarding the claims.

Substance of the Interview:

The Examiner and the Applicant discussed the prior art. The Applicant argued that none of the cited art teaches or suggests the claimed invention. Zur does not teach or suggest remote software installation or error correction but rather to a billing system for image usage. Allison does not teach or suggest error correction or update a system but rather relates to new product testing and wiping a system to install a new operating system for a particular test. Cramer does not teach or suggest remote troubleshooting to identify an error or remote error correction or software updating but rather reboots a machine if an error occurs in the system. No agreement was reached, and the Applicant agreed to submit a response to the final rejection with new claim amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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